

# Seebeck Deal Meets Failure

## New York Stamp Design A Honey

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield announced the description of the 3c stamp being issued to commemorate the 300th anniversary of New York City. This special stamp will be placed on sale through the New York, N. Y. post office on November 20, in conjunction with the three day National Postage Stamp Show at the 71st Infantry Regiment Armory sponsored by the American Stamp Dealers Association.

The stamp will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimensions, arranged horizontally in a shaded frame, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated and issued in sheets of 50. The color of the stamp will be announced later. The printing of 110,000,000 New York City commemorative stamps has been authorized.

The overall design of the stamp is the artist's conception of the town of New Amsterdam during the period of its early settlement, with a Dutch ship anchored in the harbor. Forming the background is a light silhouette of the present day New York skyline.

In the upper left corner appears the lettering "Postage" in dark Gothic and directly beneath it the denomination "3c" in white face modified Roman and in the upper right hand corner is "U.S.A.", in dark Gothic. The wording "300th Anniversary of New York City", in white face Gothic, is arranged across the bottom of the stamp.

Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of this stamp may send a reasonable number of addressed envelopes to the Postmaster at New York, New York, with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either sealed or turned in. The outside envelope to the Postmaster should be endorsed "First Day Covers".

## China Resorts To Printing Press

The Nationalist Chinese government on Formosa has resorted to surcharging to supply certain denominations to a dwindling stock of them. Basic stamps used are Scott type A101 picturing Cheng Ch'eng Kung (Toxina).

On all the original value has been covered with an ornamental design and the new denomination printed in both English and Chinese characters. The basic \$1 red has been given a surcharge in red of 3c; the 30c claret surcharged 1c in dark blue; and the \$1.60 ultramarine 20c in black.

The day of release of these is not known.

## Rubber City Display Thanksgiving Week End

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WHEN NEW YORK CITY WAS NEW AMSTERDAM. The stamp to be released November 20 to mark the 300th anniversary of the founding of New York City pictures the early settlement at the tip of Manhattan by the Dutch. Dimly in the background is the modern New York skyline. First day ceremonies are to be held at the 71st Infantry Regiment Armory, Park Ave. and 34th St. on the opening day of the American Stamp Dealers' Association Exhibition. Printing will be 110 million—color is to be announced later.

## Italian Southern Provinces Visited In Current Chapter On Italian Workers Issue

by Bert Happ

CHAPTER XV

### THE WORKERS ISSUE

The Shipyard—Liguria. (15L)—Liguria, is a section of northern Italy on the west coast along the Gulf of Genoa, whose chief city is Genoa. It is the Italian Riviera.

Castle of Rapallo. Rapallo, a small seaport town on the gulf of Rapallo, one of the fine winter resorts of the Italian Riviera. On the SE side of the fishing harbor rises a medieval castle now used as a prison.

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The Fishing Net: A sort of purse seine is carried out by small boats and circled in the water off shore. The lines are brought to the beach and ten to twenty men put their shoulders through straps attached to the lines and haul the catch in.

The Bay of Naples. One of the most beautiful bays in the world, and great seaport of southern Italy. Naples was once the capital of the former Kingdom of Naples. The origin of the name is Greek, the Greeks founding Cumae on the bay of Puteoli (Pozzuoli) first, and then building Neapolis (the New City) nearby.

Vesuvius. For the past 300 years it has been the only active volcano near Naples. Its base is 30 miles around, and its height varies with eruptions from 3900 to 4300 feet. The NE peak is Mt. Somma, and the second Vesuvius proper.

Its activity dates from 63 AD when an earthquake did immense damage to Pompeii and Herculaneum. While this damage was still being repaired, on August, 24, 79 A.D., a terrific eruption blotted out these two cities.

Up to 1500, nine eruptions were recorded. December 16, 1631, there was another great eruption, killing 3000.

It has erupted in 1707, 1737, 1760, 1767, 1794, 1804, 1805, 1822, 1855, 1858, 1861, 1871, 1872, 1895, 1906, 1943 (during Allied occupation). 2000 years ago it was a peaceful mountain covered to the top with fertile fields and vineyards.

The top was a plain nine miles in circumference, where Spartacus and his men held at bay the army from Imperial Rome. The eruption

of 1872 is reputed the worst since Pompeii, and poured down 20 million cubic yards of lava. The observatory on a rocky spur was surrounded but escaped damage.

The Oranges — Sicily (25L) — Sicily, the island off the "toe" of the "boot" of Italy, is the largest of the Mediterranean islands having 10,000 square miles, with Palermo and Messina as principal cities. Its warm climate is conducive to the cultivation of citrus fruits. Colonized by the Greeks, seized by the Romans and later by the Saracens, since the 13th century it has had a varied political history.

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In July 1624 when a plague was ravaging Palermo a man had a vision of a white dove which led him to the cave. Awakened he visited there and found the body of St. Rosalia in perfect preservation.

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J. F. McGee

In Linn's of May 15, 1950, I described an Ecuadorian stamp of the 1895 Seebeck issue with a cracker advertisement on its back. It was a color proof of the 10-centavo value, and I stated then it could not be a fake imprint, which was produced to create a new variety to sell to collectors, as an original copy would have been employed.

Charles Glase, Reading, Pa., owned the above item and had sent it for my inspection and opinion. Mr. Glase is one of my correspondents, and has a specialized collection of Ecuadorian philatelic material, which includes postage stamps, postal stationery, revenues, covers, telegraphs, specimens, proofs and essays.

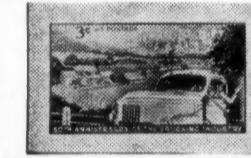
One of his recent purchases was three blocks of nine stamps each, which are of the 1895 Seebeck issue of Ecuador, the 20c, 50c and 55c commercial of the original printing. Each of the nine stamps has a different advertisement on its back, and each block has the same ads in the identical positions.



## Truck, Driver Are Identified

There is one happy truck manufacturer in the United States, and he is president Joseph S. Sherer of the Reo Motor Car Co. Lansing, Mich.

It so happens that by intention or otherwise, the truck pictured on the forthcoming 50th Anniversary of the Trucking Industry stamp is an almost dead-ringer for a 1949 Reo.



And the driver is identified without much argument as Ben Winterberger.

Thus collectors will have another instance where the person pictured on a postage stamp can be identified as an actual living human.

Most recent of such identification occurred when Fred W. Johnson, Washington, D. C. collector through patient research was able to name over fifty soldiers pictured on the Army commem of 1945. Linn's broke this news as an exclusive feature.

The truck and driver part of the picture on the Trucking stamp was taken of Winterberger and his Reo at the time he won the national Truck Roadeo in 1949. The automobile company used the picture extensively in advertising and other promotional work and is well known.

Difference between the actual picture and the stamp design is that the radiator grill is horizontal on the truck, and the name "REO" has been eliminated from the center spine between the grills.

With the 50th anniversary of the motor company coming up next year it can be expected that a sizeable quantity of this commem will be laid aside for advertising work.

## Australia Subject Of Talk For Women

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Comments On Canadian  
Stamps, Past And Present

Lorne W. Bentham

As I mentioned in my previous column, I would devote this one to mainly revealing some highly interesting information pertaining to the way the first-day sale of the unrevised stamps of the King George VI issue in 1950 in Canada, was handled. In my opinion it was just a big headache for the officials as well as the many collectors

But—here's where it becomes complicated—there were a few dealers who capitalized on the event and made hay fast while it was good going.

By referring to it as complicated I mean that the situation was very difficult for collectors to know if they really got a first-day or not. In other words, with the Department issuing these stamps at different dates the officials were not trying to please philatelists. They never announced in advance the dates and when they were to be issued.

Just what I am trying to convey is this thought. The Post Office Department officials in Ottawa didn't want to have another first-day of sale of these unrevised stamps as they did have one special day set aside for the revised edition in 1949.

By coincidence when these unrevised stamps made their appearance in Canadian cities on different dates, I was writing for many philatelic publications as well as writing for the daily press and conducting a radio program. Many collectors just couldn't understand how the capital city of Canada—Ottawa—had the unrevised stamps on sale on January 20 whereas London, Ont., had them on sale on January 19.

That's what the Citizen Stamp Editor revealed to his many readers in Ottawa. In fact, he mentioned that he received a first-day cover from London, Ont., dated January 19, 1950.

Several collectors in Ottawa requested me to secure information as to whether or not this information was correct from London, since many Ottawa collectors had first-day covers from Ottawa postmarked January 20, 1950.

Well, I sent a telegram to the London postmaster seeking clarification of this date, as it seemed to be some misunderstanding. Later I received a letter from the postmaster re: calling that they went on sale officially on January 20, the same day they were sold in Ottawa.

Well, with this information I really thought there must be something wrong somewhere so I took this letter to the Chief Postal Inspector, N. H. MacDonald, at that time. He said that there would be some investigation.

Meanwhile I had a friend, Allan Whalen, who was president of the Sandy Hill Community Club of Ottawa, and who was taking a course in Toronto with the Canadian Army.

From other sources I later learned that first-day covers of complete sets of these unrevised stamps were selling anywhere from \$1.50 to \$2.00 in Toronto. The set, incidentally, ranged from the 1¢ to the 5¢ denominations.

Learning this, I immediately got in touch with my friend Whalen and notified him in Toronto to secure for me at any price some samples as I was investigating this for the collectors.

He obliged me for he sent along a complete set for \$2.00. I took these along to the Chief Postal Inspector who took a dim view of the fact that they were postmarked the day previous they were to be sold to the public.

Chief Postal Inspector MacDonald told me that I would hear from him in a month's time as there was going to be a thorough investigation. And a month later I heard from him. In my opinion it was such a foolish answer the Postmaster from London, Ont., W. Pearson gave. Pearson stated that while Mr. Bentham was informed that the stamps officially went on sale on January 20, 1950, he neglected to tell him that there were 10,000 sets sold on the previous day which accounts for all these "famous" first day covers.

In other words, these first-day covers are not worth \$2.00 for a complete set. That's what they were selling for in 1950 and if any collector should be offered them today just refuse them at that price.

This columnist has an addition to his family. On September 18, at 9:35 in the morning in Arlington Hospital, Arlington, Virginia, his wife gave birth to a daughter. She came in at 9 pounds and four ounces and certainly has our stamp of approval. Probably, she will be another philatelist. Who knows?

This new textile industry stamp bears the design of a Toronto artist. It seems that the Canadian Postal authorities believe that Can-

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Carson City, Nevada till November 1 will publicize Nevada Day, while San Diego, Calif., will note the 50th anniversary of powered flight to December 17.

San Diego will also have one through November 14 on American Education Week.

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Gertrude Boss

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In the history of trees we find perhaps the first we encounter is the apple tree, said not to appear on a stamp in tree form, but with the fruit and branches on a stamp of New Zealand (Scott Type A76).

The fig tree is mentioned 60 times in the Bible, and a look at the fig cactus is shown on an issue of Tripolitania (SP-45). A medicinal property of figs is related in the Bible's Book of Kings, where Isaiah prescribed a fig poultice for a dying king, and the treatment was so effective the king lived many more years.

The most significant stamp to head a collection in this day when the theme of freedom is on every tongue is surely the famous Charter Oak pictured on a United States commemorative (A249). It is on the Connecticut Tercentenary issue of 1935.

The story reads that in 1687 a Captain Wadsworth hid the Colonial Charter in the hollow of this tree, and today the spot is marked by a granite monument, the site of which is in the state's capital city. Hartford, Conn.

Other oaks are seen on a 1920 issue of Lithuania (A16) and on the colorful issue of 1919 from Germany (A23 and A24). This letter is a suggestive picture showing new shoots from an old stump symbolic of a new German government after the defeat in World War I. The once powerful Germany, had been cut down, and was obliged to take on new growth to survive as a nation.

On the U. S. Alaska Territory Issue of 1937 (A272) is the important spruce which is the source of the wood pulp used in making paper. This tree gives us a wood that is soft and also less resinous than the well known pine. Though an evergreen it is surpassed by the cone bearing evergreens of California, which are sequoias, and said to be the oldest living things on earth.

Two notable specimens are The Founders Tree, 365 feet tall, and considered the tallest tree in the world, over 1000 years old. Another of note is named the General Sherman, in Giant Forest, said to be the oldest and largest thing on earth, with a diameter of 36 feet and perhaps 4,000 years old.

The South American Pine is seen on an issue of Chile in 1948 (AP31). Ecuador has given us an Andean scene (A139) and this 2c stamp shows the most useful tree, the eucalyptus, which produces a gum for commercial use. The Republic of Panama in 1936 shows its Guayacan tree, the flowers of which glow yellow against the blue sky and last many days (A68).

Salvador has the Balsam Tree (A112) from which comes a gum used in medicinal preparations. It does not yield its valuable product until after reaching its age of 25 years, then the tree is tapped and treated much the same way as the rubber tree.

We see natives tapping rubber trees on a stamp of Ceylon (A58).

In the Straits Settlements we see rubber tapping (OS5) and also the Sage Palm and the Traveller's Palm, described previously (OS2).

These are interesting studies, especially the rubber tree from which we get the glutinous gray fluid that is of so much use commercially for water proof products.

Long rows of growing tree fences (Guayacan Tree) are seen in Panama and one is shown on a stamp (A68). The Guayacan is used for fence posts and they take root and make a fence row of trees. The flowering fence is a beauty when in bloom, and a bright yellow in color.

There is one tree to which a tribute has been paid by Cuba, (A110), and is a gesture of friendship called "The Fraternity Tree," located in Havana. A story of interest surrounds it.

Other trees of note are "The Weeping Willows" of St. Helena.

The story of course centers around Napoleon Bonaparte when he was "The prisoner on St. Helena".

Chile has given prominence to three trees, one of which is shown on stamp No. C124 (Type AP31) called "South American Pine" the others in the set were the Peumo and the Coquito syrup palm. These are peculiar to that country, hence their inclusion on a 100 pane issue, depicting the flora and fauna of Chile, in 1948.

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is called cryptocarya. The syrup palm grows to a great height, and its fruit is often called by the natives "monkey cocoanuts".

The Araucaria is of the pine family, grows as tall as 150 feet, with cones of unusual width and length. This tree is being cultivated in the southern United States now.

In 1940 New Zealand issued a stamp showing her Giant Kauri Tree. (A92). This is a tall stately sub-tropical tree useful for its lumber and is quite valuable for that reason. An oil is extracted from it used in varnish.

Another great tree is the Babab, and it is shown on stamps of Eritrea, (A16). It is one of largest trees known, with limbs reaching 30 feet in diameter although the height is comparatively small. It produces a large woody fruit, with a bark that yields a fiber from which rope is made.

In Sierra Leone we see the Kola along with palms (A11) and in South Africa we find the Orange Tree (A9 and 10), while in Seychelles King George V seems to be reclining near a Coco-de-Mer Palm (A9).

A famous tree of interest is on a stamp issued in 1936 by Australia, (A22) and is connected with the country's history as the "Proclamation Tree". It too carries an interesting story.

Jamaica has shown on her stamps Cocao palms (A33) Bananas (A39), a citrus grove (A40), and even a Bamboo Walk (A44). A cocoanut plantation is shown by British Solomon Islands, while British Honduras shows Chicke Tapping (A16) and a Cochineal Palm (A17).

On Dominican Republic stamps, we see natives picking limes, and Iraq tells us that her Date Palm (A6) is called her "Tree of Life".

To add just a bit of levity to an erstwhile dull subject we may pause and ask why not a "Lynch Tree" for such does exist in Virginia's tradition? The spot of this legendary tree has often been pointed out to this collector when going to the Lynch post office which derived its name from the story of the "Lynch Tree".

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## Six Miles From Town

In addition to such other news as has come from the A.P.S. Convention held in Houston, Texas on September 23 to 26, we are told by dealers who made up the bourse that this feature was a very unsatisfactory part of the event.



GEORGE W. LINN

putting on at great expense a stamp display and also handling an auction, for which privilege the auction dealer is doubtless assessed a fee, it should be the first consideration of the management of the convention that the location of the event will be such as to attract the greatest number of people.

Most dealers who patronize these events do so with the expectation of doing a profitable business, also with the thought that they can meet some of their customers from various parts of the country and also that they can perhaps make some new and worthwhile contacts for future business. None of this is possible unless the rooms are pretty well filled with people, and you just can not expect to find a lot of people where they aren't. In other words, you have to have your show where the people are, you have to take your show to the people and not expect the people to travel to your show.

All America has read ever since the famous Shamrock hotel was opened, about what a magnificent place it is, but few perhaps realized that it was practically out in the sticks in so far as Houston is concerned.

The Houston committee perhaps never gave it a thought as to what sort of local attendance they might have with the show on the fringe of the city, but this is a matter that will have to be considered in future shows if they are to succeed, for it is certain that dealers who attended this event will want some assurance in the future that there will be an effort to locate the show where it will draw as much local patronage as possible.

On the other hand, we might also understand the fact that a city located as Houston is, is so far away from any large number of the society members, that attendance at such a convention is certain to be much smaller than if held in any of the larger cities in the northern midwest or eastern part of the country. Dealers who look for business at such events will have to weigh all the various problems that go to make up a successful business trip and make their plans accordingly, likewise it should be to the interest of the societies concerned that they make some effort to see that the local committee has sufficient knowledge about an event of this nature to assure those who will attend from a distance that everything possible will be done to assure a thoroughly satisfactory meet from every angle.

## Efficiency ? ?

Some time ago we mentioned the name of a Canadian post office which was composed of five words, as being an unusual postal marking and as is always the custom, many readers sent a cover there to get the cancellation. We understand that such covers were returned with the information that cancellations could not be applied because the Post Office Department forbids such service to collectors.

Mr. Howard K. Thompson of Boston, wrote the Department at Ottawa and inquired about the matter and received the following reply.

"Your letter of the 7th September, and the enclosure of a newspaper clipping, have been referred to me for attention.

"It has been found in the past that the handling of philatelic covers has delayed the normal function of the Post Office Department, that of providing an efficient postal service. This is particularly the case at small isolated offices, such as "East Side of Ragged Island, N.S.", "Arctic Patrol", "Royal Train", etc.

"When these offices of small accommodation and staff are publicized in philatelic journals, they are swamped with large volumes of philatelic covers to process, far beyond the capacity to handle, sometimes several hundred from individual dealers. In order to avoid discrimination we were obliged, with reluctance, to instruct Postmasters not to service philatelic covers forwarded to them under separate cover."

It is presumed that the ruling as pointed out in this letter is for efficiency and to help the small office operate in a better manner, but if we note that the letter from the Department admits that when a name is publicized in a stamp paper such as ours, many letters come to the office asking for cancels. I leave it to you readers that to supply the cancel requested the postmaster merely has to cancel the covers and throw them into the mail but to refuse to do so the postmaster has to send a note back to the person sending the cover, return the cover to him and to do this uses an envelope which the post office has to supply and carry the letter back as official mail for which the Canadian Post Office Department gets no coin of the realm, whereas if the cover were canceled, the stamps on it would be canceled and out of duty and the work involved would not be near so much as is now done to return such letters to the senders. "Efficiency, thou art a jewel" but in this case certainly a counterfeit one.

## Growing Pains

Collectors or dealers who are interested in the circulation figures of the leading stamp publications will find sworn statements in the early October issues of most papers. A comparison will tell you the real story. Figures are the average for past 12 months. Ours are still going up, current figure is over 38,225, a steady gain through the summer.

## SMILEATELICS....Bob Rieker



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## Tasman Centenary Stamp November 11

Shown herewith is the design Australia will use for the commemorative noting the centennial of the first Tasmanian postage stamp. In a rose color, and denomination of 3d, the first day will occur on



November 11 at all post offices. Sale will continue for one month.

According to the Australian News and Information Bureau production will be in sheets of 120 on unwatermarked paper and incorporating a design of the first 4d stamp picturing Queen Victoria.

## Gustafson President At St. Petersburg

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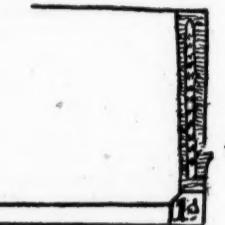
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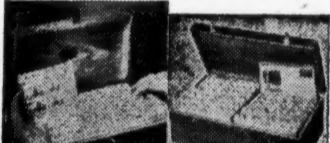
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paying post offices eliminated, and  
— where it hits the public the  
worst — various postage fees have  
been increased.

Since foreign parcel post rates  
have been upped to nearly double  
it makes the collector with foreign  
correspondents think several times  
before he mails a parcel abroad.  
These rates will make it practically  
prohibitive to mail used clothing,  
food parcels and the like. It  
will be easier just to send money  
for those items, but that won't do  
either in most cases since there is  
nothing in the stores in lots of  
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I have reported the opinion here  
of a number of readers to the effect  
they wouldn't mind the rate raises  
so much if the franking privilege  
of various government departments  
were curtailed or eliminated, and  
the same for those congressmen  
who have seriously abused the  
franking privilege.

That has come to pass.

A law is now in effect that the  
Post Office Department will tender  
an annual bill to Congress for  
postage charges. Various govern-  
ment departments which have had  
the franking privilege will be ren-  
dered a bill for postage fees quar-  
terly.

When preparing their budgets de-  
partment heads will have to in-  
clude expected postage costs. And,  
of course, any congressman who  
floods the mail with doubtful ma-  
terial is going to be exposed and  
made subject to national condem-  
nation via newspapers and other  
publications.

The public will continue to foot  
the postage bill as it has in the  
past through taxes, but under the  
new set-up abuse and inefficiency  
will more likely be spotted.

If only our Postmaster General  
would be as determined in the ar-  
tistic merits of postage stamp de-  
signs, and the selection of persons  
or events to be commemorated.

Just between us kids, I have a  
hunch he's going to get around to  
that one of these days, too, when  
some of the bigger headaches are  
modified or eliminated.

1. The "Omaha" set of commemo-  
ratives is also known as the —  
Louisiana Purchase, Pan Ameri-  
can, Trans-Mississippi, Alaska-  
Yukon. Choose one.

2. What two days of national ob-  
servation have been marked with  
commemorative stamps?

The "Duck" stamp of 1950 pic-  
tured Trumpeter Swans and it was  
thought for a while that these re-  
markable birds with the sonorous  
call would be seen there or on  
other pictures only, after several  
years. They were well on the way  
to extinction.

A recent report from the Fish  
and Wildlife Service of the Interior  
Department advises that there are  
now 577 Trumpeters, an increase  
of six over last year's survey. If  
you have a write-up for the 1950  
Duck stamp you might include  
that information.

I learn that friends Joseph Sto-  
ver and Robert West have started  
a new weekly stamp paper named  
"The Philatelic Gazette". I have  
not seen either of them since the  
May 29 first day of the Aviation  
stamp luncheon at Dayton, Ohio

where we ate and shared views.

At that time they might have  
been thinking of this venture, or  
the inspiration to become editors  
and publishers might have hit them  
all of a sudden.

Joe has been philatelic columnist  
for Lancaster and Waverly news-  
papers, and Bob has written free  
lance on philatelic subjects. Bob  
also was chairman of the Ohio Ses-  
qui Stamp Committee and de-  
signed that commemorative.

The elimination of fourth class  
post offices continues in the POD's  
economy move and among recent  
victims are these with intriguing  
names: Cape Pole, Alaska; Moun-  
tain Rest, Calif.; Tallman, Mich.;  
Harvard, Iowa.

Two others which had been  
axed were changed to summer post  
offices and they are: Ten Mile  
River, N.Y.; and Horseshoe, N.Y.

Probably not many of you have  
given any thought to such closings  
other than that the Department is  
sorta rambunctious in its economy  
measures.

It so happens that practically all  
of these small crossroads mail  
mills don't even bring in enough  
to pay the postmaster. Here are  
some examples, the first figure be-  
ing the actual receipts of the  
named office and the other the  
basic salary of the postmaster:

Agnes, Ga. \$183 and \$685.44  
Cotter, Iowa \$606 and \$1762.56  
Timken, Kans. \$2006 and \$3128.00  
Pomp, Ky. \$440 and \$1327.36  
Telegraph, Texas \$260 and \$979.20

On top of that there are other  
expenses of transportation and sup-  
plies.

One of the charges which have  
long been regarded as rather stu-  
pid is the extra few pennies the  
purchaser of a full roll of coil  
stamps had to pay over and above  
the face value.

As for instance this premium was  
3c for a roll of 500; 6c for one of  
1000; and 18c for the 3000 size —  
regardless of the denomination. Be-  
cause it was an almost insignifi-  
cant financial bite most purchasers  
bore the pain, or bought a postage  
meter.

As of October 1, states the Sep-  
tember 29 Postal Bulletin, this  
extra charge will be eliminated  
and the stamps will be sold at  
face value.

This coming week end I expect  
to attend the Convention and Ex-  
hibition of the Trans-Mississippi  
Philatelic Society at Davenport,  
Iowa. That's October 23 to 25. It  
will be my first visit to a TMPS  
affair and the first return to Iowa  
in five years. Anyhow I want to  
see if the Iowa corn is 70 per cent  
as good as Ohio's as so many people  
from out that way brag.

There is a claim, which no doubt  
will be substantiated with evi-  
dence, that the region abounds with  
fine stamp collections and even  
finer philatelists.

The hosts are the Quad-City  
Stamp Club and the official hotel  
the Blackhawk. The sponsors can  
credit me with one added attend-  
er, for just this week a stamp fan  
from Burlington, Iowa visited the  
office and after I told him about  
this big philatelic affair practical-  
ly on his doorstep (well, it's  
only 90 miles away) he was ready  
to go.

Just in case you've been putting  
off the Christmas parcel mailing  
to someone in the armed forces, or  
in Uncle Sammy's official family  
abroad, you'd better hustle to  
the post office and get the job ac-  
complished.

Christmas Day or one or two be-  
fore is the time to please the re-  
cipient with your remembrance,  
not a day or week afterwards.  
Your present on time might be  
the difference between a heartsick  
24 hours, or that same period of  
time with all the splendor and  
warmth of the season.

1. Trans-Mississippi.  
2. Arbor Day and Mother's Day.

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specialists.

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ten in Italian, is well organized and  
illustrated and easy to follow.  
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gives space to many errors, var-  
ieties, war locals, franchise stamps  
etc.

Mr. Ostrow, whose address is P.  
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ing advance orders for the catalog  
expected to reach this country in  
60 or 90 days. Price is \$1.75, post-  
paid.



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**BERMUDA.** On November 9  
Bermuda will release a new defi-  
nitive issue of 16 values to one  
Pound as follows: 1/4d, 1d, 1 1/2d,  
2d, 2 1/2d, 3d, 4d, 4 1/2d, 6d, 1/-, 1 1/3d,  
2/-, 2 1/2d, 5/-, 10/- and Pound.

Stamps of the current issue will  
be withdrawn from sale at the  
close of business November 7.

**GIBRALTAR.** October 19 is the  
release date for a new definitive  
issue of 14 stamps from 1/4d to the  
Pound. The values are 1/4d, 1d,  
1 1/2d, 2d, 2 1/2d, 3d, 4d, 6d,  
1/-, 1 1/3d, 2/-, 2 1/2d, 4/-, 5/-, 10/- and  
Pound.

Stamps of the current issue will  
be withdrawn from sale at the  
close of business on October 17.

**GAMBIA.** A new definitive issue  
will be released on November 2.  
There will be 15 values as fol-  
lows: 1/4d, 1d, 1 1/2d, 2d, 2 1/2d,  
3d, 4d, 6d, 1/-, 1 1/3d, 2/-, 2 1/2d,  
4/-, 5/-, 10/- and Pound.

Stamps of the current issue will  
be withdrawn from sale at the  
close of business on October 31.

**ANTIGUA.** This colony will re-  
lease on November 2, a new defi-  
nitive issue in decimal currency.  
The 14 values will be 1c, 2c, 3c,  
4c, 5c, 6c, 8c, 12c, 24c, 48c, 60c, \$1.20,  
\$2.40, and \$4.80.

Stamps of the current issue will  
be withdrawn from sale at the  
close of business on October 31.

**ROYAL VISITS.** Here is a list  
of the special stamps to be issued to  
commemorate the visit of Queen  
Elizabeth and the Duke of Edin-  
burgh:

Bermuda—	6d.
Jamaica—	2d.
Fiji—	8d.
Kenya—	30c
Malta—	3d.
Gibraltar—	3d.
Aden—	1/-

Each stamp will be inscribed  
"Royal Visit 1953" and will be re-  
leased on the arrival of the Queen  
in the territory, and will remain  
on sale for ONE WEEK ONLY.

**MAURITIUS.** On November 3,  
Mauritius will release a new value  
(15c) and new designs with the  
portrait of Queen Elizabeth as fol-  
lows: 4c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 50c  
and 1R.

The equivalent values will be  
withdrawn from sale at the close  
of business on November 2. The  
1c value will also be withdrawn  
from sale at the same time.

**QUEEN ELIZABETH.** The fol-  
lowing stamps have been ordered  
with the portrait changed: Gren-  
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Montserrat 1c, 2c & 3c.

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313-15	.13	358-59	.94	404-07	.20
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### Paul Gauguin, Impressionist

From Papeete on the South Pacific island of Tahiti came the above first day cover bearing a reproduction of one of artist Paul Gauguin's most remarkable paintings in the stamp design. In brown, green and red this 14fr commemorative has the artist's "Maori Women" an attention commanding piece of work executed while he "went native" on Tahiti. Inspiration for the stamp's issuance was the 50th anniversary of Gauguin's death which occurred May 9, 1903. First day of issue was September 24, the post office at Papeete using a special cancellation.

It is of quite some interest to know that Paul Gauguin was strictly a "Sunday afternoon painter", one who followed it as a hobby. His living was made as an employee of a bank. However it was inevitable that those of like interests would seek each other out and it was thus that Gauguin made acquaintance with Pissaro, impressionist exponent.

He had been born into a rather conservative family on June 17, 1848 in Paris. His father was a successful journalist, the mother a gentle woman of Peruvian descent. It seems that the grandparents of both sides of the family shared in the youth's upbringing for some early years were spent at Lima, Peru and others at Orleans, France.

Beginning in 1865 he spent six years at sea returning in 1871 to a banking career and marriage to a Danish lady.

He soon achieved a reputation with his simple and forceful presentation of the rocky Breton landscape and became founder of the Port Aven school. He passed much time with Van Gogh in the south of France painting the figures and landscapes, his most notable pieces of this period being a self portrait and the "Yellow Christ".

Disgust with European civilization drove him to Tahiti where from 1891 to 1893 he lived the life of a native. Here Gauguin painted a considerable number of Tahitian subjects which when exhibited at Paris some time later were a sensation. For two years he returned to the white man's way of life but again in 1895 the South Pacific claimed him and there he remained until his death May 9, 1903 on the Isle of Dominique.

Gauguin rejected all dogma in art and claimed the right for all to see nature in his own perspective and temperament. Although according to accepted standards his art lacks beauty both in line and color it is prized for its decorative quality.

(The cover above was received from Pierre A. Cubells, 2 Rue des Graviers, Soissons (Aisne) France).

### DID-YA-KNO

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### 'TIS SAID

by "S. Q. LAPIUS"

1. A widely read syndicated column states that a piece of skin no bigger than a postage stamp contains three million cells, one yard of blood vessels and four yards of nerves. Now a stamp collector can measure the intensity of dislike when his better (or bitter) half remarks that his stamps give her a pain in the neck. Just suppose she was built like a giraffe.

2. The great musician Mozart, shown on the stamps of Austria and Germany had a reversed keyboard on his piano in which the black keys were white and the white ones were black. My "ole Mammy" told me long ago that life was like a piano where the black and white worked, each in its own place, to produce "The Master's Harmony" rather than Faust's Eternal Political Chaos. She didn't know her alphabet and, though surnamed Washington, she had never been there.

3. The ancient Chinese and Assyrians used thumb marks as positive guarantees of the authenticity of messages. A cousin of the man shown on stamp design A133 of Ecuador first devised a system of classifying but the man shown on Czechoslovakia A76 was the first to note that there was a system to the whorls and ridges. (See below)

4. The celebration of Christmas on the date that is now universal among most Christians was first observed at the church shown on the Italian stamp SP4, about the middle of the 4th century. Prior to that time it had four other dates. (See below)

5. A bronze bust of Bolivar, called the liberator of South America, is placed on Bolivar Peak, 16,425 feet up on a mountain of Venezuela. He appears on the stamps of that country and one of their monetary units is called a Bolivar.

6. A well known columnist (not philatelic) says that the man shown on Paraguay design A94 and AP38 simultaneously married seven sisters but doesn't explain why or how. If true then he only had one mother-in-law which is one more than the man who is shown on Belgium A70. (See below)

7. The United States President shown on US design A295 at the age of 41 publicly advertised for a wife, specifying a woman of simple tastes, with beauty unnecessary and prettiness not de-

### SPECIAL EDITIONS

Various dealers will want to time some of their advertising to appear in conjunction with the special editions of Linn's Weekly Stamp News sponsored by different specialist groups. These editions are always the last one of each month and contain a splendid amount of information about the particular country or specialty.

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November 30—Precancel Stamp Society.

December 28—American Revenue Association.

January 25—AMERPO

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sired. She got him—or vice versa. Recent historians claim his marital strategy was due to the brain of a Maryland spinster, Cherchez la femme. (See below)

8. The explorer shown on Canada A36 is said to have brought the cabbage to the New World. Some claim there is usually an abundant crop of cabbage heads at the eastern end of Pennsylvania Ave., in Washington and others say that it is just vice versa.

9. The eagle eye and painstaking research of a religious topical collector notes that the foot of the Blessed Virgin Mary appears on the U.S. Columbian issue design A77. The design was taken from a painting on which a tapestry on the wall in the background portrays the scene of the Crucifixion. The stamp design was reduced in size leaving only a portion of the tapestry between the heads of the king and queen on the stamp.

10. The waterfall shown on A157 of Argentina and A150 of Brazil has a greater flow of water during the rainy season than the waterfall shown on our U.S. design A171. (See below)

3. Ecuador—Charles R. Darwin; Czechoslovakia—Jan Evangelista Purkyne.

4. St. Maria Maggiore (St. Mary Major).

6. Paraguay—Domingo Martinez de Irala; Belgium—Adam.

7. Ulysses S. Grant.

10. Argentina—Iguassu Falls; United States—Niagara Falls.

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Listings of the European nations is comprehensive and general the only nation receiving some detailed treatment being Denmark the place of publication. A number of upward price revisions are evident in nearly all nations, few down-pricings, with the overall valuations reflecting the Danish market, and to some extent the greater European.

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Aarhus Frimaerkehandel, will soon release its specialized catalog for the Scandinavian nations, which is one of the recognized handbooks for specialists in the stamps of this area. Its selling price will be 2.50 Krone plus postage.

## Organize Stamp Club At Chambersburg, Pa.

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Meetings for the present are scheduled for the homes of various members the last Tuesday of the month. They are open to interested persons.

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## SEEBECK

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The American stamp press used to report quite often of a Seebeck being employed to pay the postage on a letter to the United States. Of course that Seebeck was a reprint. I have in my collection a piece of wrapper of a registered parcel to the U. S. that was prepaid with four of the high-value 5-sucres reprints of the 1896 issue, together with a 10-centavos of the Columbus Society set. The postmarks are dated October 30, 1935.

These Seebeck Ecuadorian reprints, have been used in such great numbers to pay postage, their status is that of postal used reprints. And one can find them with authentic cancellations in stocks of dealers and in collections.

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## Mexico Releases '53 Christmas Seal

Mexico has already issued its 1953 Christmas Seal funds from the sale of which are devoted to anti-tuberculosis work. According to Dr. William Bork of Mexico City this early release is prompted by the desire to get them in the hands of the children before the annual vacations which begin in mid-November.

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## \$36,000 Price On Fabulous Error

The new owner of one of the world's rarest stamps is a citizen of Toronto, Canada who wants to remain anonymous states Doug Patrick feature writer in the Toronto "Globe and Mail" daily newspaper.

It is the Swedish 3 skilling-banco printed in the wrong color obtained by its current possessor for \$36,000 from a dealer in Sweden. Among its previous owners was King Carol of Romania.

This specimen has been called one of the great story-book stamps of all time. It appeared in 1855 and is yellow. Other 3 skilling-bancos of this issue are blue-green.

What must have happened, the experts decided was this:

Sweden's 4-skilling-banco stamp was yellow. A plate used in the printing of 3-skilling-bancos was inadvertently placed on the same press, resulting in a historic mistake.

The discovery of this stamp is detailed in the reference work Stamps of Fame, by L. N. and M. Williams. A Stockholm dealer began offering the equivalent of about \$2 for 3-skilling-bancos in the 1855 issue. It was not known up to that time that the yellow specimen existed.

George W. Backman, a young schoolboy, heard about the offer. When he went on Christmas holidays to his grandmother's home in the country he asked if he could look through some old documents which had belonged to his late grandfather.

Among the papers the boy discovered many stamps in the sought-after denomination. On his return to Stockholm he took them to the dealer. It was then that the misprint was detected.

The dealer, H. Lichtenstein, purchased all the stamps George brought him and paid a special premium for the yellow 3-skilling-banco.

Lichtenstein held the stamp for eight years and then sent it to a Vienna stamp dealer, Sigmund Friedl. Friedl, in turn, sold it for approximately \$1,600 to Count Philipp la Renotiere von Ferry.

Following the First World War, the French Government confiscated many of Ferry's assets, including his stamp collection. The collection was offered for sale by auction.

In 1922, the Swedish misprint passed into the hands of Baron Erik Leijonhufvud. He paid \$3,800 for it. Four years later, a Swedish engineer, C. A. Tamm, bought the stamp for a sum close to \$6,000. He then sold it for \$8,000 to Dr. Johan Remberg of Goteborg.

In 1937 a London stamp dealer sold the 3-skilling-banco for \$20,000 to a collector whose identity was kept secret for 13 years. It was King Carol of Romania.

By 1951 it was up for sale again. It was purchased for close to \$30,000. The purchaser's name was not revealed.

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**FRANCE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC.** For the 100th anniversary of the island of New Caledonia becoming a colony of France its postal administration issued a 13fr sepia and green commemorative. The stamp pictures Admiral Febrer Despoines and in the background a view of the capital city of Noumea. The first day of issue was the actual centenary date, September 24. For the occasion the New Caledonian postal administration prepared a special postmark, and a box cachet which told of the centenary. The cover was received from Pierre A. Cubells, 2 Rue des Graviers, Soissons (Aisne) France.

## Nicaraguan Prexy, Botanist Honored

New stamps were released by Brazil on September 20 and 28 both in honor to individuals. The former was for Augusto de Saint Hilaire, a French naturalist who spent six years in the South American country on botanical pursuits. The latter for the official visit of President Anastasio Somoza of Nicaragua.



Somoza spent several days in Brazil visiting chiefly in the capital city of Rio de Janeiro, Bahia and Sao Paulo. His portrait is shown on a 1.40Cr sepia. St. Hilaire is shown on his stamp, a 1.20Cr maroon, against a background of tropical foliage.

St. Hilaire was born in Orleans,

France October 4, 1779. On the invitation of France's ambassador to Brazil's court of Don Joao VI he



went to that country where he remained from 1816 to 1822. In those six years, St. Hilaire by extensive

traveling discovered the bulk of the secrets of Brazil's botany.

He found and identified 24,000 different plants, 15,000 insects and approximately 2500 kind of birds. Of major economic importance was his discovery of the marketability of Mate, a green tea, which is now exported in large quantities.

Shortly before his return to France, the naturalist was awarded distinguished honors by the government of Brazil. He died in his homeland September 20, 1853.

## Borek Germany Has Many Price Changes

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